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4 May 1988



MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
THROUGH: Chief, Operations Group
FROM: Chief, Okinawa Bureau
SUBJECT: Monthly Report - Okinawa Bureau - April 1988

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I. GENERAL

A. On 26 April the Japanese Diet approved a revised Japanese-U.S. agreement calling for Japan to bear all costs for the allowances paid to MLC employees. The Japanese government will begin paying 100 percent of all allowances in April 1990 which is the beginning of the Japanese fiscal year. At present Japan pays for 50 percent of all allowances.

*relief is only
2 years away*
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B. The recently launched PRC satellite at 87.5 degrees east began transmission of television programming on 20 April. The satellite is initially being used to transmit two channels of TV programs and one education channel from the Beijing-based Central Television Station. The 87.5 degree position of the satellite now allows use of the 5-meter dish to pick up Beijing TV, giving us more flexibility in television coverage. Implications of the Chinasat on bureau dish antenna needs were discussed with Chief, ESG during his recent TDY.

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C. Record rainfall in Okinawa Prefecture resulted in two deaths in Miyako Island, 200 miles southwest of the island of Okinawa. Tarama Island felt the effects of over 25 inches of rain in 24 hours, including 15.2 inches in 3 hours on 28 April, a new Japanese record. Fortunately for bureau families, the storm abated somewhat by the time it reached the main island. Though some parts of the island did receive 10 inches on 1 May, the area around Kadena received "only" 8.2 inches over the 30 April - 1 May weekend.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. The Chinese Unit continued its coverage of the First Session of the Seventh National People's Congress, which closed on 13 April. Beijing radio and television both carried live coverage of the event. In addition to several FYI's and an editorial report on the closing, we filed the text of Yang Shankun's and Wan Li's speeches from television. This session was noted for its openness, with press conferences playing a

prominent role and adding considerable wordage. The seventh (and last) 12-take press conference featuring Premier Li Peng and others was filed from Beijing television.

2. JIANGXI RIBAO was added to coverage 1 April. We were unable to receive this provincial paper through our regular source and turned to a Fukuoka agent who was successful. We are also receiving TIANJIN RIBAO regularly for Seoul Bureau through the same agent.

3. Our antenna renovation project has now moved to the antennas used for recording the Soviet regional programs, Khabarovsk Domestic Service, Magadan Domestic Service, Vladivostock Domestic Service, and Vladivostock Maritime Service, for BBC processing. Seoul Bureau has temporarily taken over recording duties.

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4. Chief Editor [] and Chief Monitor [] traveled to Taipei 22-28 April on a recruiting trip for Chinese monitors. A total of 26 applicants were interviewed and tested. One was identified as a very strong candidate. Two others are possibilities. Several candidates pointed out during the interviews that the bureau salaries and other benefits are on par with what is received in Taiwan. Therefore working in Okinawa is not as attractive as it was in the past. A recruiting trip to the Philippines is planned for 9-13 May where some 20 candidates will be interviewed.

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B. Cruising

1. The PRC switched to summertime schedules on 17 April. Beijing XINHUA in English and Chinese, Beijing Domestic Services Nos. 1 and 2, Beijing Television and the provincial radio services have all changed their broadcast times. The international services, however, are not affected.

2. The cruising unit began its periodic updating of program reviews for PRC provincial radios during the month. It is also providing updates for frequencies and times for services affected by switchovers to summer time.

C. Lateral Services

1. Responding to a request, the bureau provided a local lateral consumer, DOD special representative/Okinawa, with a copy of a recent Moscow television program on air defense troops.

2. Now that publishable items are available to NEAD desk officers electronically, it is no longer necessary for us to drop copies of our Chinese newspaper translations to them. At NEAD's request, we have cease flagging these items to them.

D. Technical

1. The Air Force antenna maintenance crew has completed approximately 70 percent of the 287 degree beverage antenna. Work has ceased until parts ordered from Headquarters arrive at the bureau.
2. We have purchased locally enough parts to keep the contractor working on the rhombic pole replacement project until parts ordered by Headquarters arrive. The contractor's crew is now installing anchor rods, which will keep them busy until mid-May.
3. Preventive maintenance on the ROSET 10-meter dish was completed during the month. This included washing all the bird droppings off, removing rust and bird nests, and lubrication. During the typhoon last August, the birds found the 10-meter dish a haven from the winds and have refused to give up residency ever since. Suggestions for placing a rubber owl on the dish were entertained until it was pointed out that no owls exist on Okinawa. However, a rubber mouse seems to be having the desired effect.
4. An operational IDD transfer of files was completed when the bureau relayed 20 files to Headquarters from Seoul bureau during an extended circuit outage.
5. The bureau received four Okidata printers from Headquarters during the month. These printers were sent to replace the aging Extel teleprinters currently located in the communications section.
6. One of the bureau's laser printers was returned to Headquarters for maintenance. We are eagerly awaiting a dot matrix printer being sent from Headquarters for evaluation, hoping to use it to replace the laser printer which is expensive to maintain.
7. On 15 April a team from ASC Guam visited the bureau as part of their tributary assistance and inspection program. All bureau communications files and records were in perfect order.
8. The bureau made the transition to the new message format on 27 April. The transition went smoothly largely due to the extensive preparations made prior to the event.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. During the month of April, Mr. Yuko Higa, employee relations specialist from CPO was at the bureau several

times conducting the biennial evaluation of personnel management and administration of MLC employees in the bureau. The bureau received an overall satisfactory with several excellent ratings.

2. Efforts to formalize the system administrator's and deputy positions within the MLC (Japanese national) position categories are continuing. Position descriptions written by the bureau have helped speed up the process. The position descriptions are now being coordinated with USFJ.

3. Cruisers [] were both presented by the Bureau Chief with superior performance awards for their excellent efforts during the past year.

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4. Japanese monitor [] EOD'ed 3 April as an MLC employee. With the arrival of part-timer [] in early May the Japanese Unit will be at full strength.

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5. Bureau staff cruiser [] departed PCS 15 April for reassignment to Panama. He TDY'ed in Bangkok prior to his return to the States.

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B. Buildings and Grounds

1. The last two renovated units were occupied this month. Final acceptance of all seven four-bedroom units was signed on 25 April. This completes Phase I of the Recap program.

2. An intensive review of options for renovating the GSWK houses in Phase II is being carried out. Construction costs and needed restoration of roofs and walls are such that new construction as well as renovation must be considered.

IV. VISITORS

To The Bureau:

Tom Orzechowski, US Naval Investigative Service, to discuss increasing FBIS filing requirements on 1 April; Mr. Yuko Higa, CPO on 1, 21 and 27 April to review bureau management of MLC employees; Capt. Karen Constantine, DODSPECREP, for briefing and tour on 8 April; Mr. Kinjo, CPO, to discuss the system administrator's positions on 13 April; Cdr. Ryder, EO at NSGA Hanza, on 13 April, leading a group of Naval officers for a tour and briefing; Tuhan Jones, Joseph Perez, and Donald Freeman, ASC Guam, to review bureau communication records on 15 April; Lt. M.E. Earl and a group of senior enlisted specialists from G-2 of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 20 April, for an orientation tour and briefing; [], C/ESG, for discussions and orientation 21-26 April.

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From The Bureau:

Bureau Chief TDY'ed at Bangkok Bureau on 4 April;
Bureau Chief and Deputy [] met General Peter Robinson,
commander of the 313th Air Division, on 7 May; [] and
[] TDY'ed to Taipei to interview and test Chinese monitor
applicants, 22-28 April; Bureau Chief TDY'ed to Tokyo for
consultations, 26-27 April.

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V. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Bureau dependents once again distinguished themselves
when they won trips to the DoDDS Pacific Region's 7th
Junior Science and Humanities Symposium at Tsukuba
Science City, 40 miles north of Tokyo. []
son of Chinese monitor [] and [] daughter of
Chinese monitor [], were among the 14 finalists who
presented papers at the symposium. [], daughter
of associate editor [], son of
bureau secretary [] also attended and exhibited their
projects.

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PROJECTS ON GOING : RENOVATION OF BOOTH 7, SUPERVISOR OF
CHINESE SECTIONS OFFICE, TO A MONITOR
BOOTH.

: DESIGNING A MOTOR DRIVEN ELEVATION SYSTEM
FOR THE RAMSAT DISH ANTENNA.

PROJECTS PLANNED : REDESIGNING THE EDITORIAL DESK.

: REMOVING BENCHES AND EQUIPMENT FROM THE TTY
SHOP AND FABRICATING A WOOD WALL FOR NEW
INSTALLATION.

OKINAWA BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR APRIL 1988

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	1,081,500
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE:	581,350
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	3,245

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. <u>INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:</u> (minutes or issues per week)	21,875 min.	17,385 min.	182.79 issues

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

CAMBODIA

Phnom Penh SPK in
English

CHINA

Beijing International Service to E. and S. Africa in English	---
Beijing International Service to North America in English	1,340
Beijing International Service in Japanese	1,990
Beijing International Service in Mandarin	---
Beijing to Taiwan in Mandarin	1,550
Beijing to the USSR in Russian	2,420
Shanghai Voice of Pujiang to Taiwan in Mandarin	730
Beijing Domestic Service in Mandarin	20,110
Fuzhou Fujian Provincial Service in Mandarin	720
Hangzhou Zhejiang Provincial Service in Mandarin	2,250
Hefei Anhui Provincial Service in Mandarin	1,560
Nanchang Jiangxi Provincial Service in Mandarin	3,640
Nanjing Jiangsu Provincial Service in Mandarin	3,470
Shanghai City Service in Mandarin	8,250

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Beijing Television Service in Mandarin	33,680		
Beijing XINHUA in English		552,450	
Beijing XINHUA Domestic Service in Chinese		126,510	
Beijing BEIJING REVIEW in English			1,240
Fuzhou FUJIAN RIBAO in Chinese			8,970
Hefei ANHUI RIBAO in Chinese			7,290
Hangzhou ZHEJIANG RIBAO in Chinese			6,040
Nanjing XINHUA RIBAO in Chinese			2,930
Shanghai JIEFANG RIBAO in Chinese			4,130
Shanghai WEN HUI BAO in Chinese			550
Miscellaneous Editorial Reports	2,550		
JAPAN			
Naha Radio NHK in Japanese	---		
Tokyo NHK Television Network in Japanese	8,370		
Tokyo JLI in English		830	
Tokyo JPS in English		3,300	
Tokyo KYODO in English		141,810	
Naha OKINAWA TIMES in Japanese			550
Naha RYUKYU SHIMPO in Japanese			2,940
Tokyo AKAHATA in Japanese			---
Tokyo ASAHI SHIMBUN in Japanese			6,330
Tokyo ASAHI EVENING NEWS in English			7,200
Tokyo JAPAN ECONOMIC JOURNAL in English			---

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Tokyo MAINICHI DAILY NEWS in English			3,260
Tokyo MAINICHI SHIMBUN in Japanese			4,830
Tokyo NIHON KEIZAI SHIMBUN in Japanese			4,250
Tokyo SANKEI SHIMBUN in Japanese			2,000
Tokyo THE DAILY YOMIURI in English			6,600
Tokyo JAPAN TIMES in English			7,040
Tokyo TOKYO SHIMBUN in Japanese			2,430
Tokyo YOMIURI SHIMBUN in Japanese			3,790
 KOREA (NORTH) Pyongyang KCNA in English		7,060	
 LAOS Vientiane KPL in English		---	
 MONGOLIA Ulaanbaatar International Service in English	2,920		
Ulaanbaatar MONTSAME in English		2,320	
Ulaanbaatar MONTSAME in Russian		6,410	
 TAIWAN Taipei International Service in English	5,020		
Taipei Domestic Service in Mandarin	430		
Taipei CNA in English		14,180	
Taipei CHINA POST in English			16,090
Taipei CHING CHI JIH PAO in Chinese			---
Taipei CHUNG KUO SHIH PAO in Chinese			---

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Taipei CHUNG YANG JIH PAO in Chinese			---
Taipei LIEN HO PAO in Chinese			700
Taipei TZU LI WAN PAO in Chinese			---
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS			
Moscow to Japan in Japanese	4,910		
Moscow International Service in Mandarin	10,850		
Moscow to Southeast Asia in Mandarin	690		
Moscow RPP to Asian-Pacific Region in Mandarin	3,530		
Moscow Television Service in Russian	3,580		
VIETNAM			
Hanoi International Service in Mandarin	1,640		
Hanoi VNA in English		1,270	